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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action mailed August 4, 2008, Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks in this response. Applicants respectfully request a three-month extension of time until December 4, 2008 for responding to the outstanding Office Action and request the fee thereof and any other fees required in the prosecution of this application to Deposit Account No. 504581.

Amendments and Listing of the Claims begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.

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